REMARKS

Claims 11-23 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 1-10 are cancelled and claims 11-23 are added.

Favorable and prompt examination of the claims are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything would be desirable in order to place this application in condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,

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